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STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

CalWORKs Single Allocation Equity Pot Funds to be Released

Our Sacramento advocates learned late Thursday that the Administration has decided to release the funds in the CalWORKs Single Allocation Equity Pot. It is our understanding that the funds should be released sometime next week. Our Sacramento advocates worked with the County's legislative delegation to secure their support for release of the Equity Pot and will continue to work with the delegation to secure more equitable CalWORKs funding in the budget year.

Governor to sign Workers' Compensation Legislation

Governor Davis is expected to sign **County-opposed AB 749 (Calderon)** related to workers' compensation at a ceremony today in Century City. The legislation increases benefits and makes some reforms to the benefit of employers. However, the cost increase to the County of AB 749, when fully implemented, is estimated to be \$55 million per year.

We will continue to keep you advised.

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